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In re Application of:

Christian GANCET et al.

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Title: DETERGENT BIODEGRADABLE POLYACRYLATES

REPLY

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 21, 2004, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

A substitute **Abstract** on a separate sheet of paper is attached hereto.

Amendments and additions to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

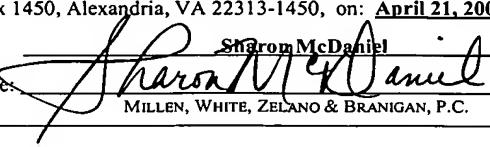
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